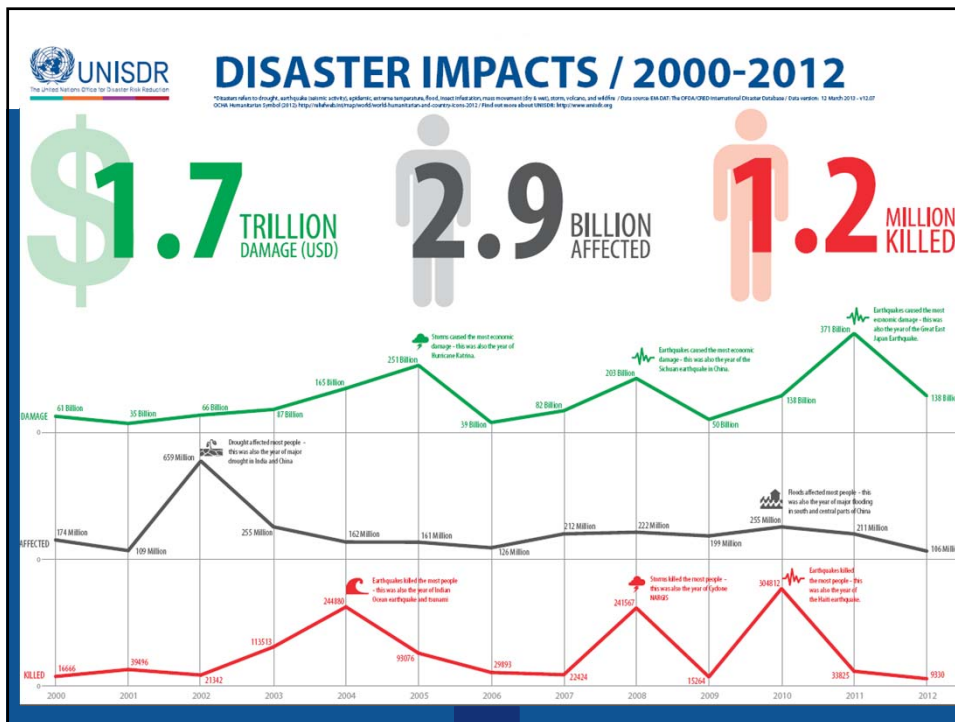





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Total estimated disaster impacts in Europe, 2002-2011

- **151 BILLION USD (*) damage**
(*) 116 Billion EUR
- **7.3 MILLION people affected**
- **146 THOUSANDS people killed**

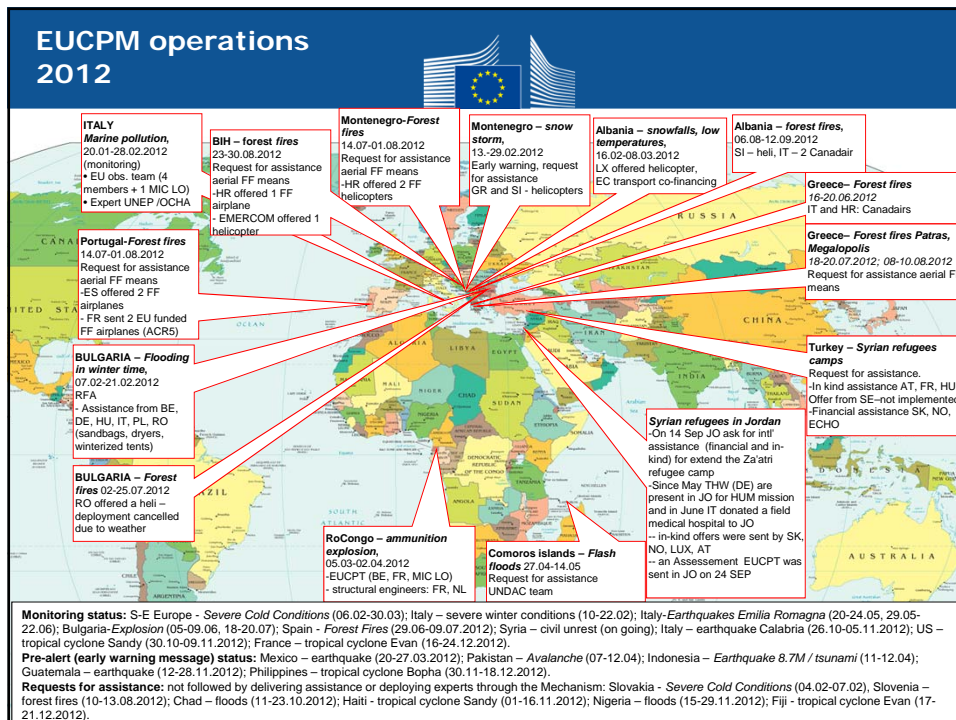
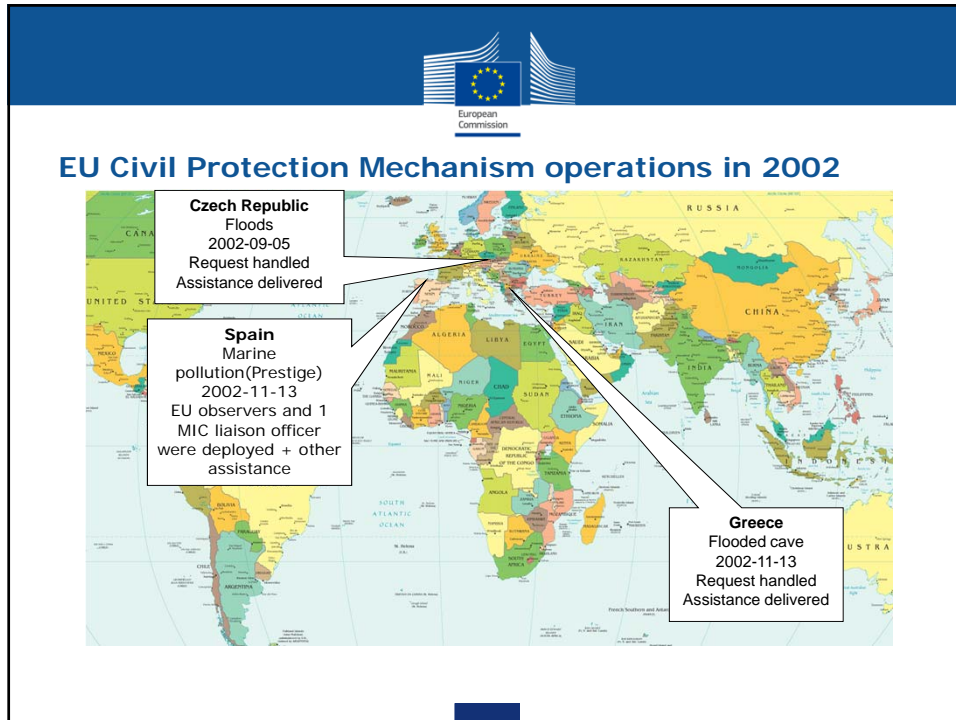
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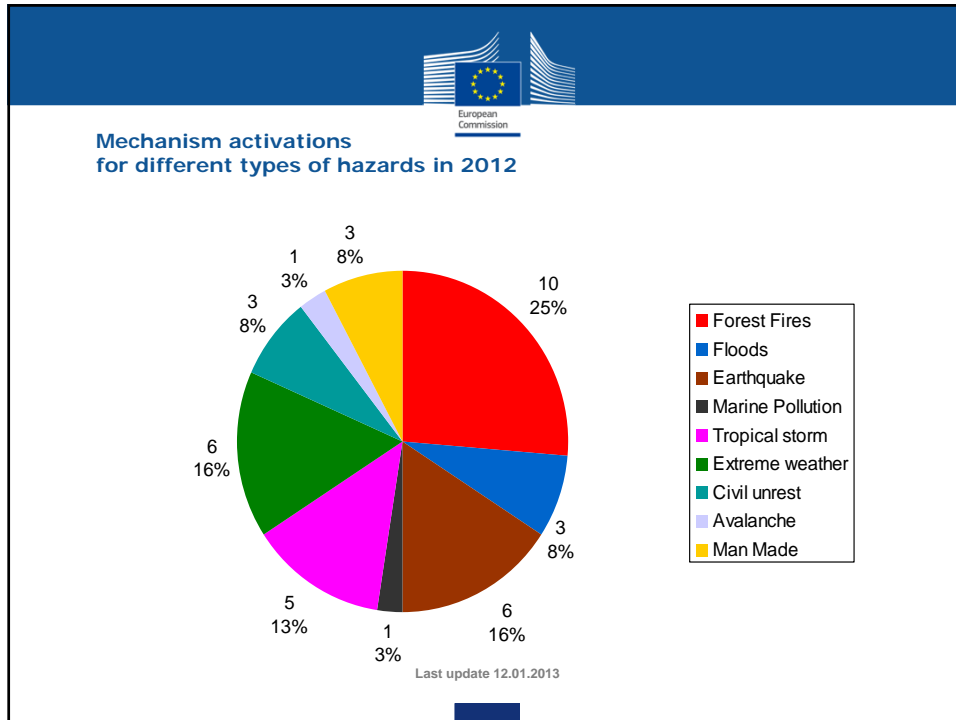


The EU Civil Protection Mechanism in a Nutshell

- Framework for cooperation in disaster response, preparedness and prevention
- Natural and manmade disasters, inside and outside EU
- European Commission + 32 Participating States (EU 28 +NO, LI, IS, FYRoM)







New civil protection legislation

Increased focus on disaster prevention – shift towards a risk-based approach

Strong emphasis on planning to enhance the predictability and efficiency of assistance

Creation of an EU Emergency Response Coordination Centre and of a EU Emergency Response Capacity